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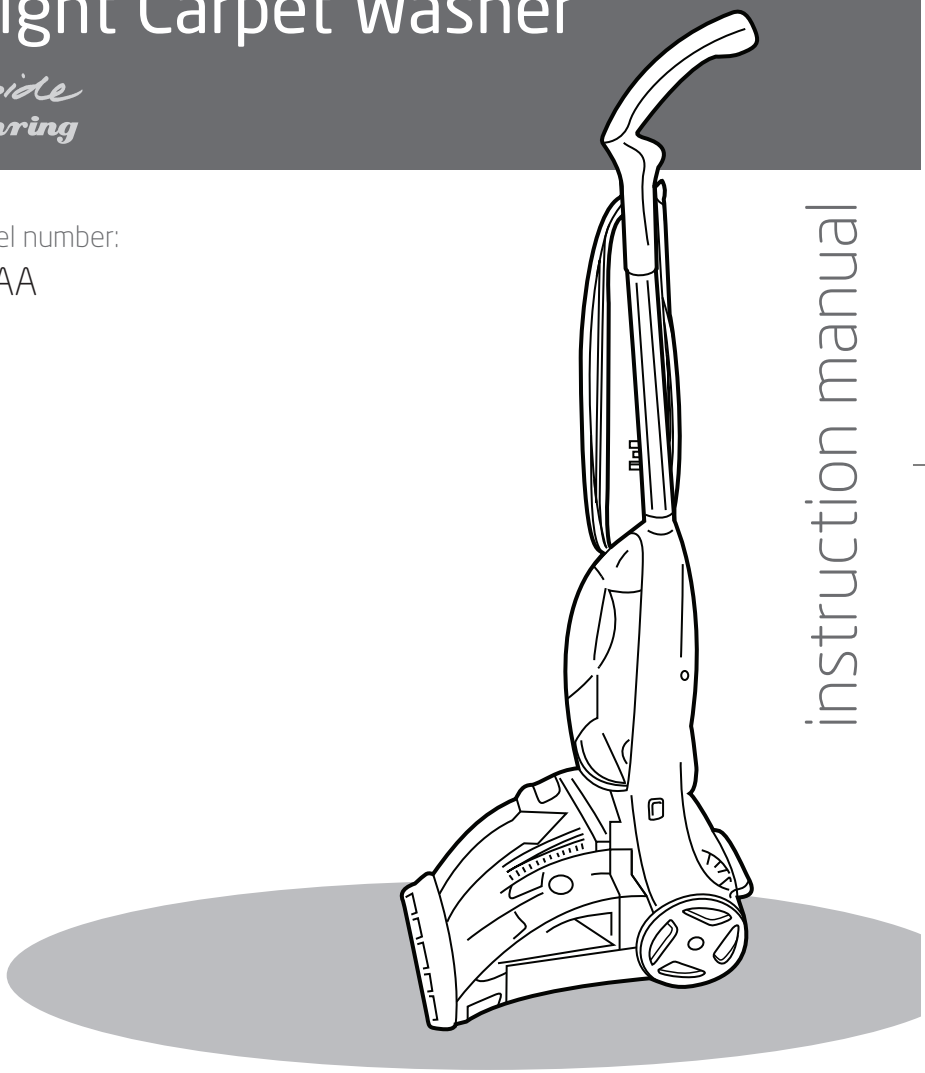
Upright Carpet Washer

Rapide Spring

Vax model number:
V-021AA



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Please read carefully before using this cleaner.
Always fully extend the mains cable before use.
Retain for future reference.

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1. Diagram

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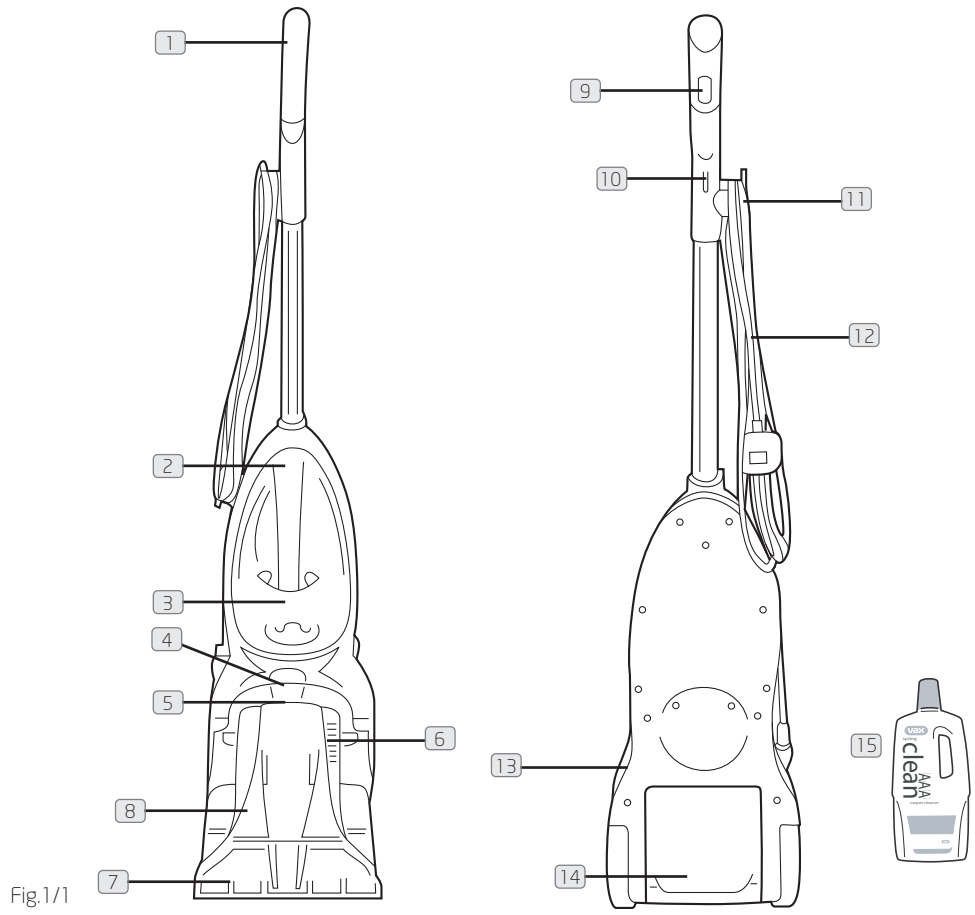

Fig.1/1

1. Handle
2. Clean Water Tank Release Button
3. Clean Water Tank
4. Dirty Water Tank Latch
5. Dirty Water Tank Handle
6. Exhaust Filter
7. Brushbar
8. Dirty Water Tank
9. Solution Release Trigger
10. Power Cord Tidy
11. Power Cord Holder
12. Power Cord
13. Power Switch
14. Handle Release Pedal
15. Bottle of Spring Clean

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2. Safety Information

For Household Use Only

When using the vacuum cleaner, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Do not leave the carpet washer unattended when plugged in. Unplug it from socket when not in use.
2. To prevent electric shock do not use outdoors.
3. Not to be used as a toy. Close supervision is necessary when used by or near children or the infirm.
4. Use only as described in this manual.
5. Do not use with a damaged cord or plug. If the supply cord and/or plug is damaged, they must be replaced by the manufacturer, a Vax Service Agent or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid hazard.
6. Do not pull or carry by the cord, use the cord as a handle, allow the cord to come into contact with hot or sharp surfaces or close a door on the cord.
7. Do not unplug by pulling on the cord.
8. Do not handle the plug or carpet washer with wet hands.
9. Do not put any objects into openings or operate with openings blocked, keep them free of anything that may reduce airflow.
10. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
11. Do not use the carpet washer on any glowing, burning or smoking particles.
12. Do not use without the solution tank and dirty water tank in place.
13. Turn off all controls before unplugging.
14. Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids such as petrol, or use in areas where they may be present.
15. Keep the carpet washer on the floor.
16. Do not use an extension cord.
17. Do not attempt to remove blockages with sharp objects as they may cause damage.
18. Store indoors put away after use to prevent tripping accidents.
19. Using improper voltage may result in damage to the motor and possible injury to the user. The correct voltage is listed on the rating label.
20. A hazard may occur if the carpet washer runs over the power supply cord.

NOTE: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing.

NOTE: If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, a Vax service agent or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid hazard.

NOTE: The carpet washer must be unplugged from the mains socket outlet after use, and before cleaning or maintaining the carpet washer.

IMPORTANT: This carpet washer is not intended for commercial use.

Motor Thermostat

IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason, the vacuum cleaner should over-heat, the thermostat will automatically turn the unit off. Should this occur, unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet and turn off the switch. Remove the dirt container and empty. Clean the filters. Allow the cleaner to cool for approximately one (1) hour. To re-start, plug into an electrical outlet and switch back on.

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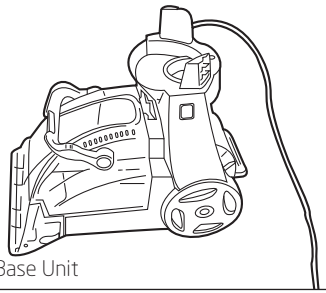
3. How to Assemble

Components



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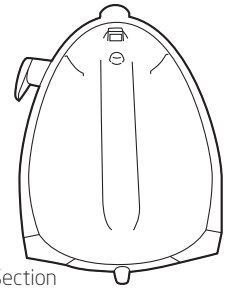


Fig.3/2 - Mid-Section

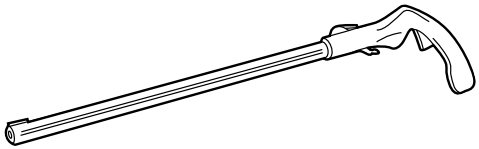


Fig.3/3 - Handle

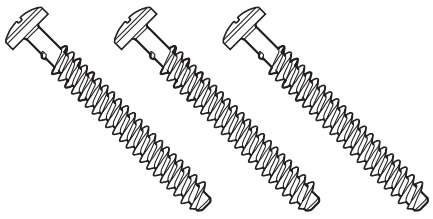


Fig.3/4 - 3 Screws

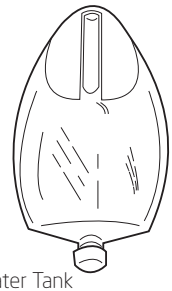


Fig.3/5 - Clean Water Tank

Assembly

Line up mid-section with base unit and slot into place (Fig 3/6).

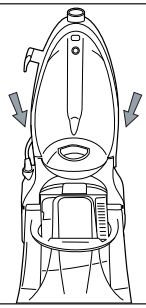
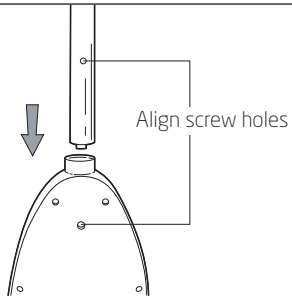


Fig.3/6

Insert handle into mid-section ensuring that the solution trigger is at the back of the machine and the screw hole in the handle is lined up with the screw hole in the mid-section (Fig 3/7).



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Insert and tighten (Fig 3/8).

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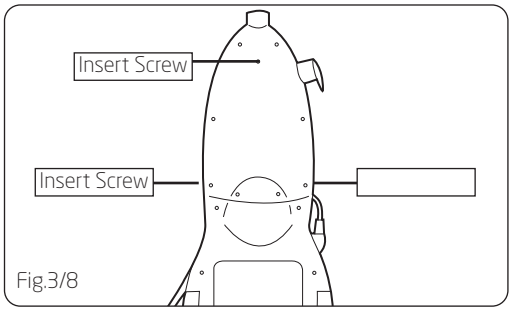
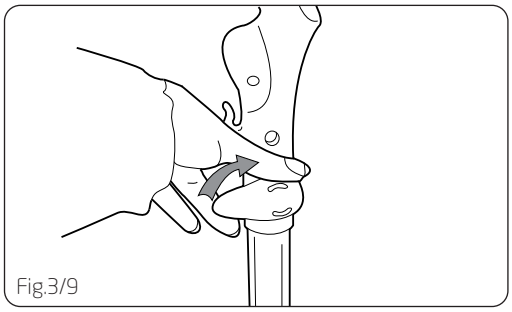


Fig.3/8

Twist cord holder until it is facing upwards (Fig 3/9).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Finally insert clean water tank and machine is fully assembled (Fig 3/10).

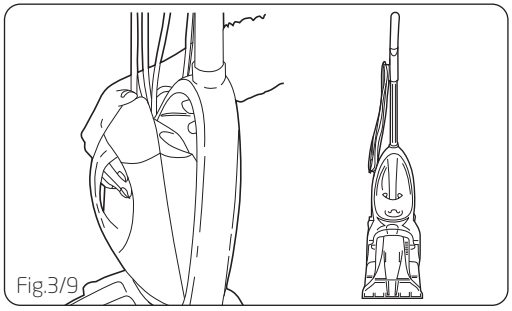
Fig.3/9

4. Before cleaning

IMPORTANT: Do not use the carpet washer as a dry vacuum.

1. Vacuum carpet thoroughly. Use a vacuum cleaner with a revolving brushbar for best results.
2. Remove as much furniture from the room as possible. If unable to remove the furniture, place plastic or foil under and around the legs until the carpet has dried completely.

Helpful hints for cleaning carpet:

1. Only use Vax AAA Carpet Cleaner with this carpet washer.
2. Do not oversaturate carpet with cleaning solution while using the carpet washer.
3. For heavily soiled areas, additional applications may be necessary.
4. Allow plenty of time to dry carpet thoroughly.
5. Wipe cleaning solution from woodwork and wood to prevent any damage.
6. Try not to walk on carpet until it is completely dry.
7. After carpet is thoroughly dry, vacuum the carpet using a vacuum cleaner with a revolving brushbar.
8. Before cleaning, determine where to start and end, making sure not to walk over previously cleaned areas.

Check for colour fastness:

Before cleaning carpet, test for colour fastness. Dampen a white cloth with solution. Test a small area in a closet. Gently rub the cloth over the area. Check each colour for colour bleeding. If the cloth remains clean, it should be safe to clean the carpet.

After cleaning:

- Allow carpet to dry completely. Try not to walk on the carpet until it is dry.
- If it is necessary to walk on the carpet, place white towels on the areas to be walked on.
- If the carpet is not dry and the furniture must be placed back in the room, use plastic or foil under the furniture to prevent staining the carpet.
- Thoroughly clean the dirty water tank with warm (max 40°C) tap water.

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5. Preparing the Machine

Hold the handle of the clean water tank and press 'Clean Water Tank Release'. Tilt Clean Water Tank away from the carpet washer and remove (Fig 5/1).

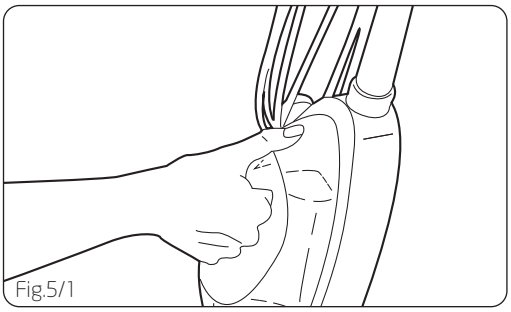

Fig.5/1

Unscrew the measuring cap from the reverse side of the clean water tank. Fill measuring cap with solution (Use only 1 capful of solution per full tank). Pour into clean water tank (Fig 5/2).

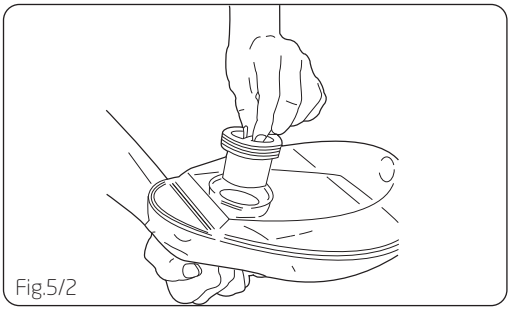

Fig.5/2

⚠ IMPORTANT: Use only Vax AAA Carpet Cleaner solution. Using other cleaning solutions may cause excess foaming. Excessive foam will prevent the machine from working effectively. Using other solutions will void the warranty.

Fill remainder of clean water tank with warm (max 40°C) tap water. Replace cap (Fig 5/3).

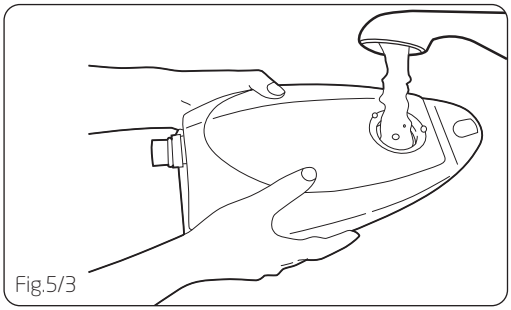

Fig.5/3

Place bottom of clean water tank into carpet washer and push back until it locks into place (Fig 5/4).

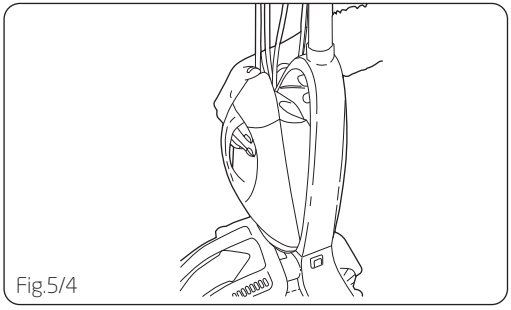

Fig.5/4

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6. Usage

Plug cord into electrical socket. Turn on the machine by using the on/off switch located on the side of the machine.

IMPORTANT: Never leave unit unattended with power on. Turn off when emptying and filling tanks. Do not over-saturate the carpet

Step onto handle release pedal to put the machine into cleaning position (Fig.6/1).

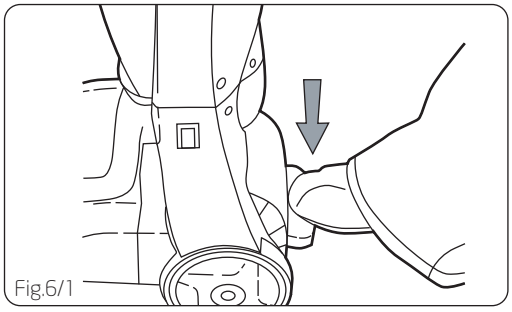


Fig.6/1

While depressing the solution spray trigger, pull carpet washer in a backward motion. Release the trigger and push the unit forward in the same path to agitate and remove dirty water and solution from carpet. (For more heavily soiled areas, repeat if necessary).

IMPORTANT: For best cleaning results use a steady, moderate, forward and backward motion. Always work from back to front across the room to avoid stepping on wet carpet and lowering the pile.

When dirty water tank is full lift dirty water tank latch and remove from base unit using the handle (Fig.6/2).

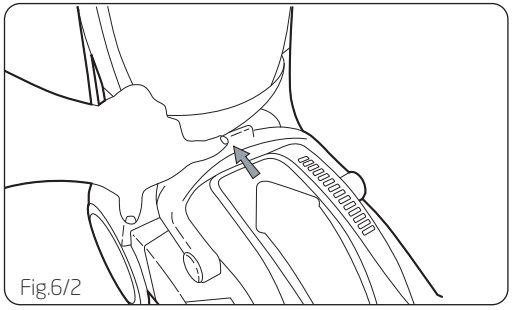


Fig.6/2

Twist dirty water tank outlet cap to the left and remove, empty, rinse and replace (Fig.6/3)

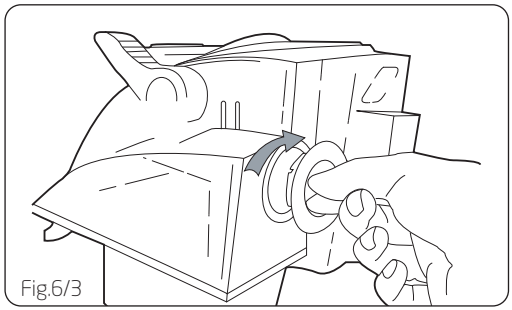
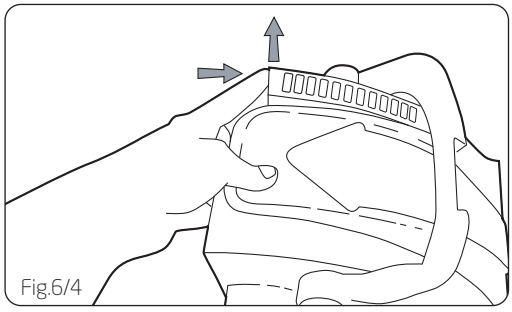


Fig.6/3

When finished cleaning remove the dirty water tank and rinse with warm water and allow it to dry before storage. Also remove filter (as shown) rinse with warm water and allow it to dry thoroughly before storing.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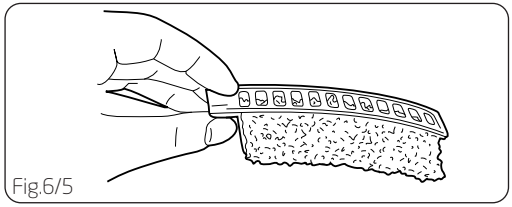
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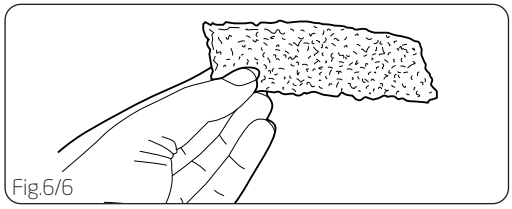
Fig.6/6

IMPORTANT: Do not use any chemicals when cleaning.

NOTE: Do not store cleaner with solution in clean water tank or dirty water in dirty water tank. Mineral deposits and mildew can form with will affect the performance of the carpet washer.

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7. Troubleshooting

WARNING: To reduce risk of personal injury, unplug carpet washer before servicing.

Problem: The cleaner won't run

Cause:	Not properly plugged into electrical outlet.
Solution:	Plug in firmly.
Cause:	No electricity in electrical outlet.
Solution:	Check fuse or breaker.
Cause:	On/off switch not turned on.
Solution:	Push on/off switch to 'on'.
Cause:	Blown fuse/tripped breaker.
Solution:	Reset circuit breaker or replace fuse.

8. UK Service & Help

Vax Care 0870 6061248

Monday-Friday	8.00am to 8.00pm
Saturday-Sunday	9.00am to 5.00pm

Any queries or concerns about using the Vax, call the Vax Careline. Calls are charged at the UK national rate.

Please make a note of the serial number and model number of the carpet cleaner before calling. There are over 400 approved Vax Service Agents in the UK. For the nearest Service Agent, please call the Vax Careline.

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9. Technical Specification

Voltage:	220 ~ 240V 50Hz
Motor Power:	550W
Clean water tank volume:	2.6 litres
Dirty water tank volume:	2.4 litres
Cord length:	6.1m
Weight:	5.7kg

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EEC STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Manufacturer/EEC importer: Vax Limited, hereby on our own responsibility, declare that the V-021AA is manufactured in compliance with the following Directives:

Safety: 2006/95/EC Low Voltage Directive
EMC: 2004/108/EC Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

Waste electrical products should not be disposed of with household waste. Please recycle where facilities exist. Check with your Local Authority or retailer for recycling advice.

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